

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 ROME 10744 302012Z

ACTION EB-07

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EUR-12 EA-07 SS-15 INR-07 /049 W

-----012801 302026Z /65

R 301705Z JUN 77

FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5591

INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY OSLO

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 10744

STADIS////////////////////////////////////

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: COCOM, ESTC, IT

SUBJECT: U.S. RELATIONS WITH ITS COCOM PARTNERS

REFS: (A) STATE 146834; (B) ROME 5092; (C) ROME 10403

1. WHILE WE CANNOT STATE WITH CERTAINTY THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY (GOI) IS IN NO WAY INVOLVED IN TRANSGRESSION OF COCOM REGULATIONS, JUDGING FROM THE AVAILABLE EVIDENT WE BELIEVE IT IS NOT. OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT THE GOI PLANS TO REMAIN FIRM IN ITS COMMITMENT TO COCOM, EVEN WHEN DECISION OF THE COMMITTEE AFFECT IN A NEGATIVE FASHION THE ITALIAN TRADE PROGRAM.

23. WE HAVE, HOWEVER, SENSED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS THE GOI'S IRRITATION WITH THE U.S. COCOM DELEGATION AND THE PRIME  
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 ROME 10744 302012Z

REASON CONVEYED BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (FMA IS THE DELEGATIONS' SLOWNESS TO RESPOND TO VARIOUS REQUESTS PRESENTED THE COMMITTEE. THE HISTORY OF REFTEL B IS A GOOD EXAMPLE. IN ADDITION, THE CASE DESCRIBED IN REFTEL C, WHEREIN PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI HIMSELF HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST, DEMONSTRATES THE CONCERN AT SENIOR-MOST LEVELS WITHIN THE GOI.

3. WHEREAS MFA SPOKESMEN ACCEPT OUR EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLEXITIES OF EXPORT CONTROL AND THE SUBSEQUENT TIME REQUIRED IN RESEARCHING A PARTICULAR CASE, THEY HAVE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS PROTESTED THAT THE DELAYS CREATE UNDUE HARDSHIP FOR THE ITALIAN BUSINESSMAN INVOLVED.  
GARDNER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** REPORTS, POLICIES, TRADE, STRATEGIC TRADE CONTROLS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Sent Date:** 30-Jun-1977 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Date:** 22 May 2009  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 22 May 2009  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1977ROME10744  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** X1  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D770234-0424  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** ROME  
**Handling Restrictions:**  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1977/newtext/t1977063/aaaaabvw.tel  
**Line Count:** 69  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** 576e6078-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ACTION EB  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** STADIS  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** STADIS  
**Reference:** 77 STATE 146834, 77 ROME 5092, 77 ROME 10403  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 27-Dec-2004 12:00:00 am  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 2064564  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** U.S. RELATIONS WITH ITS COCOM PARTNERS  
**TAGS:** ESTC, IT, COCOM  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvwkey:** odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/576e6078-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
22 May 2009  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009